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PUBLICUTILITIES COMMISSION

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk Public Utilities Commission 89 Jefferson Boulevard Warwick, RI 02888

Re: Providence Water--Docket No. 4994

Dear Ms. Massaro:

Enclosed please find the original and nine (9) copies of a motion to intervene by the City of Warwick in the captioned action. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Timothy M. Bliss

cc: Service List (via email)

## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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IN RE: PROVIDENCE WATER SUPPLY BOARD

Docket No. 4994

## MOTION OF THE CITY OF WARWICK TO INTERVENE

Now comes the City of Warwick ("Warwick" or the "City"), and hereby moves to intervene in the captioned matter, which concerns a petition by the Providence Water Supply Board ("PWSB") to seek the approval of the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission (the "Commission") for an increase of its current wholesale rate during the upcoming year. Warwick purchases water from the PWSB at the wholesale rate, which it, in turn, supplies to nearly 27,000 retail customers. The increase in the rate sought by the PWSB represents a substantial increase in the wholesale price of water that Warwick pays to the PWSB. Any increase in the PWSB wholesale water rate that is approved by the Commission in this proceeding must either be paid by the City, which ultimately would be borne by Warwick taxpayers, or passed on in the form of increased water rates for the retail customers to whom Warwick supplies water. As such, Warwick has a direct and significant interest in the result of this proceeding to its water customers and the taxpayers of the City. In addition, Warwick's intervention in this proceeding is in the public interest generally.

Warwick seeks to intervene in this proceeding in order to examine the evidence and justification for the requested rate increase by the PWSB. The City's interest is not adequately represented or protected by the existing parties in this matter.

City of Warwick By its Attorney,

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Dated: January 31, 2020

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on January 31, 2020, I sent a copy of the within motion to all parties set forth on the attached Service List by electronic mail and copies to Luly Massaro, Commission Clerk, by electronic mail and regular mail.

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